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DEVELOPMENT OF PILGRIM CENTRES
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to formulate a plan for development of all pilgrimage centres in the country on the lines of Vaishno Devi Mandir;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM & CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a), (b) & (c) : Development of tourist places including the places of pilgrimage, historical and cultural significance are primarily undertaken by the State Governments/UT Administration. However, with a view to improving environment, in anaround pilgrimage centres, the State Government, wherever considered necessary, have been informally advised to introduce reform of management on the lines of Vaishno Devi Shrine Management Reforms.